



Music In The Air

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11/23- ***White Christmas***

860-283-6250 \$23

12/08 Bob Wallace and Phil Davis, two iconic song-and-dance men, follow a sister act to Vermont, only to discover that the near-bankrupt lodge they were to perform at is owned by their former commanding general. F/Sa 8p, Su 2p
Thomaston Opera House, Main Street
Thomaston

11/29- ***Miracle on 34th Street***

(203) 757-4676 \$43

12/30 From Meredith Willson, the composer of The Music Man, comes the delightful musical adaptation of the classic holiday movie MIRACLE ON 34TH STREET. Kris Kringle takes on the cynics among us in this holiday favorite spreading a wave of love throughout New York City, fostering camaraderie between Macy's and Gimbel's Department Stores, and convincing a divorced, cynical single mother, her somber daughter and the entire state of New York that Santa Claus is no myth. Filled with humor and such beloved songs as "It's Beginning To Look A Lot Like Christmas" this joyous, heart-warming musical is pure family entertainment and the perfect holiday theatrical treat!
Seven Angels Theatre, 1 Plank Road
Waterbury

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Thomaston

<http://www.landmarkcommunitytheatre.org>

12/01 ***Sing Out! CT***

(860) 355-0300 Free

3:00p Join us for a special treat when **SingOut! CT**, Connecticut's newest vocal ensemble for young voices, comes to the Silo. Enjoy hot chocolate and cookies under our tree. Reservations requested.
The Silo, Hunt Hill Farm, 44 Upland Road
New Milford

<http://www.hunthillfarmtrust.org>

- 11/30- ***Cinderella*** (860) 354-3622 \$20 Adults/10 kids
 12/30 The classic fairy tale told in the style of British Pantomime - And we should make this very clear: THERE IS ABSOLUTELY NO MIMING IN BRITISH PANTOMIMES! There will be tuneful songs, funny jokes, and lots of audience participation with all your favorite characters: Cinderella, The Fairy Godmother, Buttons, Prince Charming, Dandini, and, of course the two Ugly Sisters. Bring the kids, bring granny, bring the whole family and come and have fun! Fri 8pm; Sa/Su 2pm.
 Sherman Playhouse, 5 Route 39 North <http://www.shermanplayers.org/>
 Sherman
- 12/01 ***Video Games Live with Tommy Tallarico*** (203) 438-5795 \$65-150
 8:00p Picture an immersive concert event featuring music from the most popular video games of all time. The excitement of a rock concert is mixed with the power and emotion of a symphony orchestra combined with the technology and interactivity, stunning visuals and fun that only video games can provide. This is a concert that people of all ages will adore even if you have never played a video game or you've never heard or seen an orchestral performance quite like this. It includes synchronized performances of the music, video and specially designed fx and light sequences showcasing over 60 games in a wide variety of styles.
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>
 Ridgefield
- 12/01 ***Ridgefield Orchestra – A Night at the Opera*** 203-438-3889 \$25-60
 8:00p Pre-concert lecture at 7:30. Opera selections from Faust, Manon, Tosca, and many others with soloists Yunah Lee, Soprano, and William Joyner, Tenor.
 Anne Richardson Auditorium, Ridgefield High School, 700 North Salem Road
 Ridgefield
- 12/01 ***Cantus: All is Calm*** 860.489.7180 \$ 25
 8:00p "The Christmas Truce of 1914" by Peter Rothstein, with musical arrangements by Erick Lichte and Timothy C. Takach. Through new arrangements of European carols and war-songs for a capella voices, All Is Calm recalls the remarkable World War I truce between Allied Forces and German soldiers in no man's land on Christmas, 1914.
 Warner Theatre, 68 Main Street <http://www.warnertheatre.org>
 Torrington
- 12/01 ***Bill Lauf's CD Release Concert*** 860-868-9254 \$15-18
 5 & 8p Connecticut native Bill Lauf will bring his unique musicianship and songwriting skills back to the intimacy of Milton Hall. In two special evening concerts, Bill will celebrate the release of his new homage to winter, "For the Snow". The CD features songs about and inspired by the coldest season.
 Milton Hall, 538 Milton Road
 Litchfield
- 12/01 ***Debbie Davies Band*** 860-693-9762 \$15-25
 8:00p ***w/ special guest Jr. Krauss & The Shakes***
 She has received eight nominations for Blues Music Awards, and in 1997 won the award for Best Contemporary Female Blues Artist. She is nominated yet again in this category for 2008. Her 2007 Telarc Records release Blues Blast is highly-acclaimed and is a pressure cooker recording that showcases her seasoned guitar and vocal capabilities. It includes guest appearances by three high-profile bluesmen: guitarists Tab Benoit and Coco Montoya, and harpist Charlie Musselwhite. A twenty-year veteran of the

road, Debbie Davies is truly one of the leading lights on the contemporary blues music scene today. Jr. Krauss and The Shakes is a CT based blues band.
Bridge Street Live, 41 Bridge Street
Collinsville <http://www.41bridgestreet.com/calendar/>

12/01 ***Dave Mallett***

203-346-2000 \$20-25

7:30p David Mallett's "Garden Song" has been recorded by 150 artists. Before playing it at a concert we attended in Maine this summer, he said, "I wouldn't be here tonight if it weren't for this song." Someone called out, "yes you would!" We agree. In fact he has written many great songs found on his 14 recordings. Great enough to be recorded by Emmylou Harris, Pete Seeger, Alison Krauss, Arlo Guthrie, Kathy Mattea, John Denver, Liam Clancy and many others. Come and hear David play these songs, hear his warm friendly voice and hybrid rhythm and lead "Mallett picking" guitar style. Acoustic and electric bassist Mike Burd kicks the night up a few notches with consummate backing and a few hot solos too. A very special treat is hearing them perform a couple of selections from The Fable True--Stories from Thoreau's The Maine Woods with music and narration by David Mallett. Expect two generous sets of songs that may include "Summer of My Dreams," "Phil Brown," "This Town," "Here We Go," "Parallel Lives" and "Alright Now." Listen for Mallett's haunting song Ten Men.
Roaring Brook Nature Center, 70 Gracey Road
Canton <http://www.roaringbrookconcerts.org/>

12/01 ***Mozart's La Clemenza di Tito***

860.489.7180 \$ 25

1:00p The virtuosic Elina Garanča sings Sesto in Mozart's drama set in ancient Rome. Giuseppe Filianoti is the noble Tito and Barbara Frittoli is Vitellia, in this handsome revival of one of the composer's final masterpieces. Harry Bicket conducts. The Warner Theatre will offer a pre-broadcast lecture by opera expert Nunzio DeFilippis. All lectures start 2 hours prior to the opera and are 45 minutes in length. Lecture to be held in the Carole & Ray Neag Performing Arts Center Lobby. Approx. Runtime: 3:13
Warner Theatre, 68 Main Street
Torrington <http://www.warnertheatre.org>

12/01 ***Christmas at the Palace***

203.346.2002 \$30-45

8:00p **Waterbury Chorale** is planning an exciting program designed to enchant both young and old. Selections will include "Carol of the Bells" by M. Leontovich, "Believe" (from "Polar Express") arranged by Mark Hayes, "Sleigh Ride" by Anderson and "Waltz of the Flower" by Tchaikovsky. This year, the Chorale will be joined by local soprano, Marissa Famiglietti, who will sing in their opening number "Christmas at the Palace" and in a Christmas Cantata by J.S. Bach, "Gloria in Excelsis Deo." As always, the Chorale will be accompanied by The Waterbury Chorale Festival Orchestra.
Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street
Waterbury <http://www.palacetheatrect.org/>

12/01 ***The Sweetback Sisters***

203-272-8404 \$15-17

7:30p Sweetback Sisters Emily Miller and Zara Bode may not be blood relations, but their precise, family-style harmonies recall the best of country music from the Everlys to The Judds, as well as the spirited rockabilly energy of Wanda Jackson, one of the band's role models. Like the artists they admire, the Sweetbacks are concerned with the traditional subjects of heartbreak, revenge, remorse and staying strong in the face of relationships gone wrong, albeit with a contemporary sensibility. "We're a renegade retro band that mixes up country, swing and honky tonk," explains Bode. "Sometimes what we deliver is straight out of the 50s; other times it's BR549 meets The B52s."
The Universalist Church of West Hartford, 433 Fern Street
West Hartford <http://www.folknotes.org/>

- 12/01 **TUSK – The Ultimate Fleetwood Mac Tribute** 860-542-5531 \$30-45
 8:00p The five seasoned, well-respected musicians comprising TUSK have been making music together in various combinations and styles, in original outfits and in cover bands, for over twenty-five years. It seemed only fitting that they should come together to form the Ultimate Fleetwood Mac Tribute, and pay homage to a group that dominated the charts during the band members' formative years.
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com>
 Norfolk
- 12/02 **Tim Grimm** (203) 431-6501 \$17-20
 4:00p Temple Shearith Israel, 46 Peaceable St. www.acousticcelebration.org/
 Ridgefield
- 12/02 **Greensleeves for a Winter Solstice** (860) 355-0300 \$15
 3:00p **Wykeham Consort**
 Wykeham Consort is an ensemble of four musicians who enjoy sharing the music of Renaissance Europe. Their concerts range from anonymous Spanish villancicos with simple expressions of human emotion to the elegant poetry of French chansons and lively English country dances. Wykeham Consort strives to communicate the composer's intention and our experience of it in both instrumental compositions and sung texts. The artists find this music accessible, very human and genuinely open - filled with the same passion, joy, sorrow and delight that animate us all today.
 The Silo, Hunt Hill Farm, 44 Upland Road <http://www.hunthillfarmtrust.org>
 New Milford
- 12/02 **Kent Singers- The Glory of Christmas** 860-619-8110 \$12-15
 3:00p Palestrina's Matin Responsory, Antonio Vivaldi's Gloria with solos by group members, and the Cherry Tree Carol, arranged by former Kent Singer, John King, See Among the Winter Snow, Advent Anthem by Douglas Brooks-Davis, Dedham by Billings, A Child is Born by Heinrich Schutz, Count Your Blessings by Irving Berlin, Il est Ne'le Divin Enfant, arranged by Shaw and Parker.
 St. Mark's Episcopal Church
 Bridgewater
- 12/02 **Winter Concert** 203-748-1716 Free
 3:00p **Danbury Community Orchestra**
 Ives Concert Hall on the university's Midtown campus, 181 White St.
 Danbury <http://www.danbury.org>
- 12/02 **Celtic Tenors** 860-542-5531 \$ 35-50
 1:30p The Celtic Tenors have established themselves as the most successful classical crossover artists ever to emerge from Ireland. In 2000. The Celtic Tenors continue to re-invent the whole tenor idiom by pioneering a new style of cool never before seen on the classical stage and by breaking the traditional stuffy tenor mould. The Celtic Tenors live show is an experience overflowing with vitality and variety from start to finish. The unique voices, charm and wit of Daryl, James and Matthew, combined with talented young Musical Director Colm Rogan, combine an emotive journey with a thoroughly uplifting experience.
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com>
 Norfolk
- 12/02 **Lessons and Carols** 860-567-9465 Free will
 4:00p Advent Lessons& Carols sung by St. Michael's Choir, Marguerite Mullee, Music Director

St. Michael's Episcopal Church, 25 South Street
Litchfield

- 12/02 ***Farmington Valley Chorale*** \$
3:00p Holiday Fanfare with Organ and Brass
First Church of Christ, 689 Hopmeadow Street
Simsbury
- 12/02 ***Gary Hoey (Ho Ho Hoey Holiday show)*** 860-542-5531 \$ 25-40
7:30p Boston raised Gary Hoey has recorded 18 albums, had five top-20 Billboard hits, supported Jeff Beck on Jeff's last tour and has been called one of the top 100 guitarists of all time. His popular "Ho Ho Hoey" series of Holiday CDs and on-air station visits during the holiday season have become an annual staple at hundreds of radio stations nationwide.
Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com>
Norfolk
- 12/02 ***WCSU Symphonic Band & Wind Ensemble*** (203) 837-8350 Donations
3:00p Ives Concert Hall on the university's Midtown campus, 181 White St.
Danbury www.wcsu.edu/music/concerts.asp
- 12/03 ***WCSU Percussion Ensemble & Chamber Singers Concert*** (203) 837-8350 Donations
8:00p Ives Concert Hall on the university's Midtown campus, 181 White St.
Danbury www.wcsu.edu/music/concerts.asp
- 12/03 ***Mozart's La Clemenza di Tito*** (203) 438-5795 \$15-25
6:00p The Met Opera Live in HD: Encore Performance. The virtuosic Elina Garança sings Sesto in Mozart's drama set in ancient Rome. Guiseppe Filanoti is the noble Tito and Barbara Frittoli is Vitellia, in this handsome revival of one of the composer's final masterpieces. Harry Bicket conducts.
Running Time: 3 hrs, 13 min.
Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>
Ridgefield
- 12/04 ***Open Mic with Eran Troy Danner*** 203-753-2233 Free
7-10p City Limits, 2627 Thomaston Ave <http://www.citylimitsct.com/>
Waterbury
- 12/04 ***WCSU Jazz Ensemble & Frankensax Concert*** (203) 837-8350 Donations
8:00p Ives Concert Hall on the university's Midtown campus, 181 White St.
Danbury www.wcsu.edu/music/concerts.asp
- 12/04 ***Open Mic*** 860-350-5995 Free
8:00p 59 Bank Street Restaurant, 59 Bank Street
New Milford <http://www.jamrestaurantgroup.com/>
- 12/05 ***Celtic Harp Performance with Marcie Swift*** 860-567-8030 Register
7-8p Celtic Harpist Marcie Swift returns to the Oliver Wolcott Library by popular demand. Marcie Swift

returns to entrance and uplift you. Relax and enjoy the soothing, spiritual and healing sounds of the Celtic harp by an expert performer. A certified music practitioner, psychologist and researcher, Marcie has explored the role of the harp and will describe its timeless magic, power and allure in this inspirational program. Space is limited.

Oliver Wolcott Library, 160 South Street
Litchfield

12/05 ***Songwriting with Kevin Briody*** (203) 438-5795 \$240
8:00p **8 Week Long Songwriting Class on Wednesday Evenings**
October 17th- December 5th

Musician Kevin Briody brings his successful songwriting class back to the Playhouse! A two-time Emmy® award-winner, he is an internationally recognized singer and songwriter who has shared the stage with talented artists ranging from Art Garfunkel to Aimee Mann. In 2008, Kevin took home his first Emmy for Best Original Song with “Little Starr”— a tune that also earned him a BMI Film & Television Award. His 2009 song “We All Fall Down” earned him a second Emmy in the Best Original Song category that same year. A recording star in his own right, Briody has released four CDs to date. His song “We’re All Heroes” opened the Connecticut Special Olympic Summer Games; Autism Speaks, a national organization combating autism, commissioned him to write the song “Bring Them Back” to help raise awareness. Most recently, Briody’s song “Not Just A Dream” was featured on NBC’s broadcast of The 2010 Winter Olympic Games.

A resident of Connecticut, Briody served as the Official State Troubadour from 2000–2002 and has been selected by the Connecticut Commission on Culture & Tourism as a Master Teaching Artist. He teaches songwriting workshops to aspiring songwriters of all ages. Students will learn everything from structuring ideas, melody, lyric and instrumentation and will leave with a recording of their song.

Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge
Ridgefield

<http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>

12/06 ***Coffeehouse*** 203-837-9700 Free
8:00p Open mic performers at 8 p.m. followed by the featured act- Aaron and Andrew at 9p.
Alumni Hall in White Hall on the university's Midtown campus, 181 White St.
Danbury

[WCSU Coffeehouse](http://www.wcsu.edu/coffeehouse)

12/06 ***Sister Hazel*** 860-542-5531 \$ 50-70
8:00p Sister Hazel is one of the most revered American alternative rock bands ever. Their unique sound is characterized by an infectious blend of folk rock, pop, classic rock 'n' roll and southern rock. Best known for the mega radio hit “All for You”, their music is defined by highly melodic tunes, prominent harmonies and optimistic lyrics. The band's instrumentation often features abrupt shifts among electric, acoustic and a cappella, with a striking use of tacets.
Infinity Hall, Rt. 44
Norfolk

<http://www.infinityhall.com>

/06 ***All Jazz First Thursday- Songstress Gina Sicilia*** 203-753-0381x10 \$ 7-15
5:30p Young Philadelphia songstress Gina Sicilia exploded onto the scene in 2007, as her debut CD, *Allow Me to Confess*, was met with joyous acclaim by fans and critics alike. She was heralded as a distinctive new voice in Blues, as well as an insightful songwriter and interpreter of neglected classics in the Rhythm & Blues canon. In 2008 she was nominated for Best New Artist Debut at the Blues Music Awards in Memphis, Tennessee, just as her sophomore release *Hey Sugar* proved her to also be a legitimate contender in the worlds of Classic Country and Americana. With her new 2011 release, *Can't Control Myself*, Gina broadens her stylistic palette, infusing even more Soul and Americana into her bedrock influences of Blues

and R&B. Gina's singing and songwriting continue to break new ground, showing remarkable depth, power, and seemingly unstoppable growth.
Mattatuck Museum, 144 West Main Street
Waterbury

- 12/06 ***Jazz'd 4 Life Celebrating*** 203.346.2002 \$41-82
7:30p ***Dave Brubeck's 92nd Birthday Bash***
Jazz'd 4 Life presents multi-instrumentalist and famed Billy Joel saxophonist Richie Cannata and a few of his famous friends, including special guest guitarist Bernie Williams (former New York Yankees centerfielder), as they celebrate jazz legend Dave Brubeck's 92nd birthday with an all-star concert event.
Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street <http://www.palacetheatrect.org/>
Waterbury
- 12/07 ***Candlelight and Carols Concert*** 203-206-7186 \$15-25
8:00p ***CT Choral Society***
Quiet, exuberant, inspiring, dynamic, refreshing – just some of the many words to describe our Candlelight and Carols concerts. Add some “sparkle” to your season by joining us for a time of joyful celebration. You'll find something for every musical taste and mood, with both traditional and contemporary pieces. The audience has the opportunity to participate in singing traditional carols interspersed throughout the program. Make this concert part of your holiday celebration!
Trinity Episcopal Church. 36 Main Street, www.ctchoralsociety.org
Newtown
- 12/07 ***Patrick DeStoop*** 203-419-0890 No Cover Chg.
8-10p Country / Folk
United Methodist Church of Naugatuck, 208 Meadow St. GoodFridays@numcct.org
Naugatuck
- 12/07 ***Vienna Boys' Choir Holiday Concert*** 860.489.7180 \$ 30-50
7:30p The Vienna Boys Choir was founded in 1498 in Austrian Emperor Maximilian I's court. Since then, the troupe of choristers has expanded to include four touring choirs, and boast a collective sound that exhibits “astonishing vocal range,” according to The Washington Post. Their holiday repertoire features favorites like “I'll be Home for Christmas” and “Silver Bells,” plus a selection of timeless French, Italian and Russian carols. Treat yourself, and your family, to a special holiday musical experience.
Warner Theatre, 68 Main Street <http://www.warnertheatre.org>
Torrington
- 12/07 ***The Arts at Hotchkiss*** 860-435-4423 Free
7:00p The talented students who perform in The Hotchkiss Orchestra and the school jazz ensemble, Right Brain Logic, will present an evening of classical and original music.
Katherine Elfers Hall, Esther Eastman Music Center, Hotchkiss School 11 Interlaken Road
Lakeville [Click to Visit](#)
- 12/07 ***Metta Friday*** 860-294-1156 \$ 10
8-10p Come join us on Friday night for a wide variety of performances events. We have already booked incredible musicians and are working on poetry readings, theatre, dance and more. Stay tuned for our full schedule, details and announcements regarding these events
The Phoenix Rising Center, 135 South Main Street; 1st floor of Seth Thomas Clock Tower
Thomaston [Click to Visit](#)

- 12/07 **Martin Sexton** 860-542-5531 \$ 35-60
 8:00p Critically acclaimed Sexton is a musician's musician and prolific recording artist. His songs are intricate and spirited covering the American musical landscape distilling soul, gospel, R&B, country and blues. His performances are dynamic and bursting with depth and have earned him a devoted following among fans, peers and critics alike. People claim that Sexton's songs inspire them to make a change, go cross-country, and follow their hearts; to see a crowd at a Martin Sexton concert is to witness a cross-section of America. Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com>
 Norfolk
- 12/07 **Listen, Learn, Bravo: "Handel" Messiah** 860-567-9465 \$30-50
 8:00p Since it was premiered in Dublin in 1741, Handel's Messiah has continued to inspire with its message of joy and celebration. Soloists from the Yale University opera program and the chorus of Naugatuck Valley Community College will give voice to this timeless classic. Hallelujah!
 First Congregational Church <http://www.waterburysymphony.org/>
 Washington
- 12/07 **John Gorka w/special guest Amy Black** 860-693-9762 \$18-28
 8:00p JOHN GORKA is an honored icon of folk tradition. The Billboard-charting artist has released eleven solo albums. His most recent So Dark You See was highlighted on NPR Music as having one of the top folks songs of 2009. John's rich baritone voice and unique songcraft weave a magical spell that can only be described as 'Gorka.' "The leading singer/songwriter of the New Folk movement" - Rolling Stone.
 Amy Black is a Boston based singer/songwriter with storytelling and Southern tradition in her blood. She burst onto the Boston scene a few short years ago and in record time, she and her band have become one of the most sought after new acts in New England,
 Bridge Street Live, 41 Bridge Street <http://www.41bridgestreet.com/calendar/>
 Collinsville
- 12/07- **The Musical of Musicals (The Musical)** 860-350-6863 \$ 28
 01/05 For the Holiday season, TheatreWorks will premiere the hilarious musical tribute written in the spirit of "Forbidden Broadway. Fri/Sat 8pm, Sun 16 2pm
 Theater Works, 5 Brookside Ave <http://www.theatreworks.us/>
 New Milford
- 12/07- **Amahl and the Night Visitors** (203) 837-8350 \$
 12/08 Fri 7:30 pm, Sat 2:00pm.
 Ives Concert Hall on the university's Midtown campus, 181 White St.
 Danbury
www.wcsu.edu/music/concerts.asp
- 12/07- **Nutcracker** 203-748-1716 \$10-25
 12/09 **The Danbury Symphony Orchestra** will be joined by over 200 dancers from the greater Danbury area in this fully staged, costumed production. Fri. 7:30p; Sat. 6:00p; Sun 3:00p
 Danbury High School, Clapboard Ridge Road <http://www.danbury.org>
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North Congregational Church, 11 Main Street North www.ctchoralsociety.org
Woodbury
- 12/08 ***Victorian Christmas Concert*** 860-435-0566 \$20
7:00p The Salisbury Association presents the annual Victorian Christmas Concert. Reserve early.
Academy Building, 24 Main Street
Salisbury
- 12/08 ***Listen, Learn, Bravo: “Handel” Messiah*** 860-567-9465 \$30-50
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St. Michael’s Episcopal Church, 25 South Street <http://www.waterburysymphony.org/>
Litchfield
- 12/08 ***Verdi’s Un Ballo in Maschera*** 860.489.7180 \$ 25
1:00p Director David Alden’s dreamlike setting provides a compelling backdrop for this dramatic story of jealousy and vengeance. Marcelo Álvarez stars as the conflicted king; Sondra Radvanovsky is Amelia, the object of his secret passion; and Dmitri Hvorostovsky is her suspicious husband. Kathleen Kim is the page Oscar, and Stephanie Blythe sings the role of the fortune-teller Ulrica. Fabio Luisi conducts. The Warner Theatre will offer a pre-broadcast lecture by opera expert Jeffrey Engel. All lectures start 2 hours prior to the opera and are 45 minutes in length. Lecture to be held in the Carole & Ray Neag Performing Arts Center Lobby. Approx. Runtime: 3:54
Warner Theatre, 68 Main Street <http://www.warnertheatre.org>
Torrington
- 12/08 ***Annual Candlelight Carol Sing*** 860-567-1041 free?
7:00p We will recall the sacred Scriptures that focus our attention on the coming birth of Christ. We sing traditional and new Christmas songs and end the night with a candlelight procession to the Grotto.
Pilgrim Hall - Lourdes of Litchfield, 50 Montfort Road <http://www.shrinect.org>
Litchfield
- 12/08 ***Nobody’s Business Trio*** (860) 355-0300 \$10-35
7:00p A blend of three-part harmony in the style of such trios as the Andrews Sisters and the McGuire Sisters – these sirens deliver old school sound that’s as retro as vintage vinyl and as fresh as Billboard’s top hits! The astounding range of harmonization and unique combination of musical genres coalesce into a perfectly balanced blending of voices. Come hear your favorite holiday selections while enjoying the warmth and hospitality of famed Skitch Henderson’s legacy at the Silo.
The Silo, Hunt Hill Farm, 44 Upland Road <http://www.hunthillfarmtrust.org>
New Milford
- 12/08 ***Christmas with the Legendary Paul Anka*** 203.346.2002 \$ 55-100
8:00p With over 50 years in the music industry, Paul Anka is considered one of the most prolific songwriters of our time. He has established himself as a successful artist by penning the Top 10 hits, “You Are My Destiny,” “Lonely Boy,” “Put Your Head On My Shoulder,” “Puppy Love,” and “Diana,” as well as Tom

Jones' "She's A Lady," and Sinatra's "My Way." Just in time for the holidays, Anka will perform these signature hits, as well as timeless renditions of classic holiday favorites, including "The Christmas Song" and "Winter Wonderland."

Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street
Waterbury

<http://www.palacetheatrect.org/>

12/08 **Devon Allman w/ The Mike Crandall Band** 860-693-9762 \$24-39

8:00p Allman Brothers Band front man Gregg Allman is his father, Devon has carved out his own musical path. "I didn't grow up in limos or backstage," he says. "I had a very normal childhood in the suburbs, eating McDonalds and playing soccer. By the time I was five, I was running off with my mother's Beatles records and learning all the words.

"I had a concept that you could simplify as 'Darth Vader meets B.B. King,' " the guitar-slinging scion of one of rock's royal families shares. "Even before I'd written the first song, I decided I wanted to make a statement about the way we live. I love blues and I'm a sci-fi geek, so I imagined a marriage of the two: music with a backbone that's solid and soulful, lyrics that talk about where we're at and where we're heading, and a sprinkling of cosmic dust — colorful, creative sounds — on top of everything."

Bridge Street Live, 41 Bridge Street
Collinsville

<http://www.41bridgestreet.com/calendar/>

12/08 **The Nutopians -** 860-542-5531 \$ 30-45

8:00p **Celebrating the Genius & Artistry of John Lennon**

December 8th marks the 32nd anniversary of John Lennon's tragic death. Join us as we celebrate his music and life with The Nutopians, an 8-piece ensemble created and led by Rex Fowler of Aztec Two-Step and Tom Dean of Devonsquare. One of the most unique and compelling interpretations of John Lennon's songs comes from The Nutopians (formerly The John Lennon Song Project). Together they have produced a thoughtfully re-imagined tribute that celebrates the genius and artistry of the late great icon's music.

The band's live show features entertaining storytelling, and like their CD Imagined, superb lead singing and 3-part harmonies, plus a host of talented musicians on acoustic, electric and bass guitars, cello, violin, mandolin, accordion, chromatic harmonica and percussion. Concert goers will be treated to exquisite renditions of Lennon's legendary Beatles songs, often weaving melody, lyric and song together in a series of singles and mini-medleys. These compositions, of which several are rarely covered, are given remarkably fresh treatments that often inspire a whole new meaning to Lennon's original lyric. Selected songs from John's solo years are also featured.

Infinity Hall, Rt. 44
Norfolk

<http://www.infinityhall.com>

12/08 **Community Sing of Handel's Messiah** 860-379-4766 Free will

2:0p invites all to join in a community sing of Handel's Messiah (Christmas portion). Local soloists will be participating. Anyone wishing to sing is asked to bring their own music. Directed by Willard Minton and accompanied by Christopher King, this event is sponsored by the Music Committee. Admission is free for singers and audience. Non-perishable food items will be accepted for the Open Door Soup Kitchen and the Salvation Army Food Bank.

Second Congregational Church of Winsted, 800 Main Street
Winsted

12/08 **Into the Woods** 203-837-8732 \$

12/09 The WCSU department of theatre arts. 3:00 & 7:00 both days.

Berkshire Theatre, Berkshire Hall, Midtown Campus, 181 White St

Danbury

- 12/08- ***Nutcracker*** (203) 438-5795 \$15-25
12/09 Presented by The Ridgefield Conservatory of Dance. Join Marie as she dreams of Sugar Plum Fairies, dancing Snowflakes and a battle between the evil Mouse Queen and her beloved Nutcracker Prince.
Sat. 2:00 & 6:00p; Sun 2:00p
Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>
Ridgefield
- 12/09 ***Festival of Lessons & Carols*** 860-435-4423 Free
7:00p This beautiful, candlelit event is an opportunity for members of the Hotchkiss and surrounding communities to celebrate the spirit of the Christmas season with biblical readings and traditional carols. The nondenominational service is led by Hotchkiss Chaplain Lou Pressman.
Hotchkiss Chapel in the Main Building, Hotchkiss School 11 Interlaken Road
Lakeville
- 12/09 ***Ridgefield Choral*** 877-815-5635 Donations
4:00p Donations towards purchasing a new pipe organ at St. Andrews
St. Andrews Lutheran Church, 6 Ivy Hill Road
Ridgefield
- 12/09 ***WCSU Holiday Jazz Concert*** (203) 837-8350 Donations
3:00p Ives Concert Hall on the university's Midtown campus, 181 White St.
Danbury www.wcsu.edu/music/concerts.asp
- 12/09 ***Listen, Learn, Bravo: "Handel" Messiah*** 860-567-9465 \$30-50
3:00p Since it was premiered in Dublin in 1741, Handel's Messiah has continued to inspire with its message of joy and celebration. Soloists from the Yale University opera program and the chorus of Naugatuck Valley Community College will give voice to this timeless classic. Hallelujah!
Naugatuck Valley Community College, Chase Parkway <http://www.waterburysymphony.org/>
Waterbury
- 12/09 ***Verdi's Un Ballo in Maschera*** (203) 438-5795 \$15-25
6:00p The Met Opera Live in HD: New Production Encore Performance. Director David Alden's dreamlike setting provides a compelling backdrop for this dramatic story of jealousy and vengeance. Marcelo Álvarez stars as the conflicted king; Sondra Radvanovsky is Amelia, the object of his secret passion; and Dmitri Hvorostovsky is her suspicious husband. Kathleen Kim is the page Oscar, and Stephanie Blythe sings the role of the fortune-teller Ulrica. Fabio Luisi conducts., Running Time: 3 hrs, 54 min.
Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>
Ridgefield
- 12/09 ***Bill Joe Shaver*** 860-693-9762 \$27-37
8:00p In 1999, Shaver was invited to perform at the Grand Ole Opry" Grand Ole Opry. In 2005, Billy Joe Shaver performed on CMT Outlaws CMT Outlaws. In 2006, he was inducted into the Texas Country Music Hall of Fame" Texas Country Music Hall of Fame. He recently served as spiritual advisor to Texas independent gubernatorial candidate. Kinky Friedman" Kinky Friedman and his 2007 album Everybody's Brother was nominated for a GRAMMY. For his efforts, the Americana Music Association awarded him their Lifetime Achievement Award in Songwriting.
Shaver is truly one of the most respected living figures in American music. His songs have been

cut by Elvis, Kris Kristofferson, Willie Nelson, Johnny Cash, Waylon Jennings and many others. Bob Dylan, who rarely covers other writers, often plays Billy Joe's "Old Five And Dimers Like Me" in concert and Johnny Cash called him "my favorite songwriter." The Washington Post noted, "when the country outlaws were collecting their holy writings, Billy Joe Shaver was carving out Exodus."

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Collinsville

<http://www.41bridgestreet.com/calendar/>

12/09 ***Kent Singers - The Glory of Christmas*** 860-619-8110 \$12-15
3:00p Selected music will include Palestrina's Matin Responsory, Antonio Vivaldi's Gloria, with solos by group members, and the Cherry Tree Carol, arranged by former Kent Singer, John King, See Among the Winter Snow, Advent Anthem by Douglas Brooks-Davis, Dedham by Billings, A Child is Born by Heinrich Schutz, Count Your Blessings by Irving Berlin, Il est Ne'le Divin Enfant, arranged by Shaw and Parker.
St. Andrew's Church in Kent
Kent

12/09 ***Michael Berkeley's Holiday Cabaret*** 860-294-4687 ?
1 & 4p Featuring a cast of 50 - a fun and festive musical celebration of the season in a beautiful setting.
Lakeville Town Grove, 42 Ethan Allen Street
Lakeville

12/09 ***The Whiffenpoofs and the Quirks*** 860-542-5531 \$
1:30p ***in a Holiday performance***
Every year, 14 senior Yale men are selected to be in the Whiffenpoofs, the world's oldest and most famous collegiate a cappella group. The group has become one of Yale's most celebrated traditions. The Trinity College Quirks are the youngest all-female a cappella group from Trinity College in Hartford, Connecticut. Founded nearly a decade ago as part of a senior project, they have rapidly grown into a well-respected and dynamic group known for their trademark energy.
Infinity Hall, Rt. 44
Norfolk

<http://www.infinityhall.com>

12/09 ***The Smithereens*** 860-542-5531 \$ 45-60
7:30p After their electrifying performance on season one of [CPTV's Infinity Hall live](http://www.cptv.com), the Smithereens are back to deliver a show like you've never seen before! They are notorious for their endless energy on stage, irresistibly catchy hooks and rapturously fuzzed-out guitars. Come sing along to: "A GIRL LIKE YOU", "BLOOD AND ROSES" & "BLUE PERIOD", "BEHIND THE WALL OF SLEEP," and countless other hits! This show will have a Holiday twist, featuring seasonal favorites by Chuck Berry, Elvis, The Beatles, The Who, The Kinks, The Ramones, Beach Boys and ALL YOUR FAVORITE SMITHEREENS SONGS-WITH A FEW SURPRISES!
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<http://www.infinityhall.com>

12/11 ***Open Mic with Eran Troy Danner*** 203-753-2233 Free
7-10p City Limits, 2627 Thomaston Ave
Waterbury

<http://www.citylimitsct.com/>

12/11 ***Spiritual Drumming with Susan Strand*** 860-567-3163 \$10
1-2:30p Experience drumming by becoming part of a sacred circle; learn and play drum rhythms; drum with intentionality and create community. Bring your own drum if you have one. A few drums and many rhythm instruments will be available.

Wisdom House, 229 East Litchfield Road,
Litchfield

<http://www.wisdomhouse.org>

12/11 ***Open Mic***

860-350-5995 Free

8:00p 59 Bank Street Restaurant, 59 Bank Street
New Milford

<http://www.jamrestaurantgroup.com/>

12/11 ***Harp Music with Wendy Kerner Lucas***

860-824-2637 Free

3:15p Geer Village, 77 South Canaan Road
North Canaan

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12/11 ***Reverend Horton Heat***

860-693-9762 \$25

8:00p ***w/ special guest Continental***

Loaded .38s, space heaters, and big skies. Welcome to the lethal littered landscape of Jim Heath's imagination. True to his high evangelical calling, Jim is a Revelator, both revealing & reinterpreting the country-blues-rock roots of American music. He's a time-travelling space-cowboy on a endless interstellar musical tour, and we are all the richer & "psychobillier" for getting to tag along. Seeing Reverend Horton Heat live is a transformative experience. Flames come off the guitars. Heat singses your skin. There's nothing like the primal tribal rock & roll transfiguration of a Reverend Horton Heat show. Jim becomes a slicked-back 1950s rock & roll shaman channeling Screamin' Jay Hawkins through Buddy Holly, while Jimbo incinerates the Stand-Up Bass like Jerry Lee Lewis on steroids. And then there are the "Heatettes". Those foxy rockabilly chicks dressed in poodle-skirts and cowboy boots dreamily dancing the night away. It's like being magically transported into a Teen Exploitation picture from the 1950s that's currently taking place in the future.

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Collinsville

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12/13 ***Steel Magnolia***

860-542-5531 \$ 35-40

8:00p Steel Magnolia may well be the future of Country Music. They've shined at the Grand Ole Opry and gotten their stage legs in arena atmospheres. They've reached back to their fans over the internet and shared some of the love and affection that's clear when they sing together. It's rare to be a witness to this kind of evolution and artistic growth in such a short span of time.

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12/13 ***Cellist Thirzah Bendokas in Concert***

860-824-2637 Free

3:15p A program of holiday & classical music for solo cello
Village, 77 South Canaan Road
North Canaan

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12/14 ***B.J. Thomas***

860-542-5531 \$ 50-75

8:00p B.J. Thomas owns one of the most distinctive voices in American pop music. Many of B.J.'s signature hits—the Oscar-winning 'Raindrops Keep Fallin' On My Head,' the million-selling '(Hey Won't You Play) Another Somebody Done Somebody Wrong Song' and his career-igniting cover of Hank Williams' 'I'm So Lonesome I Could Cry' — invariably find the plots' protagonists employing some level of positivity to overcome the universal battle with loneliness. Nothing about the identifiable sound of B.J. THOMAS' voice has changed, but there's a re-energized commitment behind it.

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- 12/14 ***Friday Feast and Dancing Feet*** 860-567-8302 \$ 7
 12-2p Join us on the third Friday of each month for an afternoon of music, food and fun. Enjoy a great meal and music by John Paolillo for your listening and dancing pleasure.
 Litchfield Community Center, 421 Bantam Road
 Litchfield
- 12/14 ***Debbie Gravitte's All-Star Holiday Show*** (203) 438-5795 \$45
 8:00p Celebrate the holidays with Tony Award Winner Debbie Gravitte (Jerome Robbins *Broadway*) along with Bill Joyner, Sal Viviano (Star of *Closer Than Ever*) and members of the Ridgefield Symphony conducted by Russ Kassoff, The Carrie Pin Dancers and more - for an evening of show stopping songs and holiday favorites! Join Debbie and her pals, as they set the mood for a joyful holiday season. Lend you voice with a traditional holiday sing-along and you may even get the chance to join Debbie on stage! Don't miss the chance to be part of this heartwarming evening with Debbie and her All-Star friends.
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>
 Ridgefield
- 12/14 ***Messiah - Danbury Concert Chorus & Danbury Chamber Orchestra*** 203-748-1716 Free
 7:30p First Congregational Church, West Street & Deer Hill <http://www.danbury.org>
 Danbury
- 12/15 ***Verdi's Aida*** 860.489.7180 \$ 25
 1:00p The Met's unforgettable production of Verdi's ancient Egyptian drama stars Liudmyla Monastyrskas as the enslaved Ethiopian princess caught in a love triangle with the heroic Radamès, played by Roberto Alagna, and the proud Egyptian princess Amneris, sung by Olga Borodina. Fabio Luisi conducts. The Warner Theatre will offer a pre-broadcast lecture by opera expert Marguerite Mullee. All lectures start 2 hours prior to the opera and are 45 minutes in length. Lecture to be held in the Carole & Ray Neag Performing Arts Center Lobby. Approx. Runtime: 3:54
 Warner Theatre, 68 Main Street <http://www.warnertheatre.org>
 Torrington
- 12/15 ***The Nutcracker*** 203.346.2002 \$28-48
 4:00p Enjoy a family holiday tradition where sugar plums and gumdrops dance, flowers waltz and snowflakes leap across the stage weaving a splendid tale of a little girl's dream of first love. The majesty of Tchaikovsky's music combines with a talented cast to make Woodbury Ballet's Annual Nutcracker a treat for audience members of all ages.
 Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street <http://www.palacetheatret.org/>
 Waterbury
- 12/15 ***Lui Collins 34th almost-Annual Solstice Concert*** 860-868-9254 \$10-13
 8:00p Solo acoustic concert featuring songs/poems from Lui's recordings, bossa nova by Jobim and others, and seasonal songs, w/ Lui on vocals, guitar & banjo. Folk rag Dirty Linen called Lui "New England's finest singer/songwriter." Canadian Stan Rogers once said, "Lui Collins sings my songs better than I do." And the legendary Dave van Ronk called Collins "one of the best guitarist/arrangers I've heard in years." Come join Lui in this intimate concert to welcome the return of the light.
 Milton Hall, 538 Milton Road
 Litchfield

- 12/15 ***The Danbury Trombone Outfit*** 203-748-1716 Free
 8:00p Marian Anderson Recital Hall
 Danbury Music Centre, 256 Main St.
 Danbury
- 12/15 ***José Feliciano*** 860-542-5531 \$ 70-90
 8:00p FELICIANO: A Name That is Synonymous with MUSIC. It is synonymous with an international presence that has influenced popular music for more than two generations. It is synonymous with a presence that has bridged musical styles in a way that has never been equaled. José Feliciano is recognized as the first Latin Artist to cross over into the English music market, opening the doors for other artists who now play an important role in the American music industry. José Feliciano has been acclaimed by critics around the world as "The greatest living guitarist". Referred to as "The Picasso of his Realm," Jose Feliciano's accomplishments are highly celebrated.
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com>
 Norfolk
- 12/15 ***Christmas Angelicus*** 860-496-8841 \$25-40
 4:00p 'Tis the time to make merry! Churches and chapels across Northwest Connecticut will once more ring with the music of the season, as this tradition continues to draw packed houses. Old and new arrangements of carols and seasonal songs will be craftily executed by the pure voices of Gaudeamus & Chorus Angelicus, along with traditional carols for the audience delight. Pick a location and hurry to get your ticket: sold-out concerts are part of the tradition
 Simsbury United Methodist Church, 799 Hopmeadow Street
 Simsbury
- 12/15 ***Jaimoe's Jasssz Band*** 860-693-9762 \$25-35
 8:00p Legendary drummer and founding member of the Allman Brothers Band, Jaimoe and his Jasssz Band play American music. They combine elements of Jazz, Blues, Rock-n-Roll, and R&B into a unique blend that captures the spirit and stirs the soul. Their repertoire ranges from new interpretations of classic tunes, as well as original songs that are classics in the making.
 Bridge Street Live, 41 Bridge Street <http://www.41bridgestreet.com/calendar/>
 Collinsville
- 12/15 ***Verdi's Aida*** (203) 438-5795 \$15-25
 1 & 6p **The Met Opera Live in HD: 12:55pm / 6pm Encore**
 The Met's unforgettable production of Verdi's ancient Egyptian drama stars Liudmyla Monastyrskya as the enslaved Ethiopian princess caught in a love triangle with the heroic Radamès, played by Roberto Alagna, and the proud Egyptian princess Amneris, sung by Olga Borodina. Fabio Luisi conducts.
 Running Time: 3 hrs, 54 min.
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>
 Ridgefield
- 12/15 ***Kenny Vance & The Planotones*** 860.489.7180 \$53
 8:00p Among today's great vocal pop musicians, Kenny Vance and The Planotones have voices of original and inviting dimension. The group, Kenny Vance, Johnny Gale, Kurt "Frenchy" Yahjian, Jimmy Bense, key boardist Chip Degaard, and Tony Gallino on Drums, redefine oldies with vocal authority and freshness.
 Nancy Marine Studio Theatre, 68 Main Street <http://www.warnertheatre.org>
 Torrington

- 12/15- ***The Nutcracker*** 860.489.7180 \$ 20-40
- 12/16 Nutmeg Ballet. Join Clara, Dr. Drosselmeyer, The Nutmeg Ballet Company and some budding stars of Northwest Connecticut, as they take you and your family on a fantasy excursion through The Land of the Snow and into the Land of the Sweets. Bring the children, they will believe everything; bring your parents and grandparents and let them be children again!
Warner Theatre, 68 Main Street
Torrington <http://www.warnertheatre.org>
- 12/16 ***Christmas Angelicus*** 860-496-8841 \$25-40
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Hotchkiss School Chapel, 11 Interlaken Road
Lakeville
- 12/16 ***Eric Hutchinson*** (203) 438-5795 \$
7:30p What do you get when you fuse the sounds of jazz and folk? ERIC HUTCHINSON! This talented singer-songwriter is making his way across the states in a stripped down, intimate show. Featuring the iTunes single of the week "Watching You Watch Him." Receiving acclaim as a pianist, songwriter, and performer. Hutchinson has been called "one of the most talented singer-songwriters that Boston has to offer", with comparisons to Jason Mraz, Stevie Wonder, Cat Stevens, Billy Joel and The Beatles.
Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge
Ridgefield <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>
- 12/16 ***New England's Rising Stars*** 860-542-5531 \$ 25-40
7:30p ***featuring Adam Ezra Group, The Alternate Routes, The Jason Spooner Band***
Infinity Hall picked these three groups to be featured as our own New England's Rising stars! Each are destined for success in their own right. We are bringing them all to one stage for one night only! Hailing from Massachusetts, Maine and Connecticut, we are delighted to showcase the incredible talent New England has to offer! Each band will play a 60 minute set and then they'll all perform a classic tune together! A coin toss determines the order.
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Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com>
- 12/16 ***Music for a Joyous Season*** 860-693-2762 Free
4:00p The Quodlibet Ensemble with guest soprano Lucy Fitz Gibbon will includes Corelli's "Christmas Concerto", a group of contemporary songs by Mark Kuss, Muffat's Passacaglia (from Armonico Tributo), and Handel's motet, Silete venti. A reception will follow the performance.
Collinsville Congregational Church, 7 South Street
Collinsville
- 12/18 ***Open Mic with Eran Troy Danner*** 203-753-2233 Free
7-10p City Limits, 2627 Thomaston Ave
Waterbury <http://www.citylimitsct.com/>
- 12/18 ***Open Mic*** 860-350-5995 Free

8:00p 59 Bank Street Restaurant, 59 Bank Street
New Milford

<http://www.jamrestaurantgroup.com/>

12/20 ***Sultans for String***

860-542-5531 \$ 20-30

8:00p 2010 JUNO Award nominees and “Canada’s ambassadors of musical diversity” Sultans of String thrill their audiences with their global sonic tapestry of Spanish Flamenco, Arabic folk, Cuban rhythms, and French Manouche Gypsy-jazz, celebrating musical fusion and human creativity with warmth and virtuosity. Fiery violin dances with rumba-flamenco guitar while a funk bass lays down unstoppable grooves. Acoustic strings meet with electronic wizardry to create layers and depth of sound, while world rhythms excite audiences to their feet with the irresistible need to dance.

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12/20 ***Empire Brass – The Sound of Christmas***

860.489.7180 \$ 21-46

8:00p ***Featuring Elisabeth von Trapp***

Empire Brass enjoys an international reputation as North America’s finest brass quintet, renowned for its brilliant virtuosity and the unparalleled diversity of its repertoire. All five musicians have held leading positions with major American orchestras and performed around the world. Empire Brass will be joined by the granddaughter of the legendary Maria & Baron von Trapp, whose story inspired The Sound of Music. With a voice critics have called “hauntingly clear” (New York Times), von Trapp, along with the Empire Brass, “will send a thrill of pleasure through your nervous system” (Boston Globe).

Warner Theatre, 68 Main Street
Torrington

<http://www.warnertheatre.org>

12/21 ***A Holiday Concert***

860.489.7180 \$ 21-46

8:00p ***with Melissa Manchester***

Grammy Award-winning artist Melissa Manchester
Warner Theatre, 68 Main Street
Torrington

<http://www.warnertheatre.org>

12/21 ***Christmas Angelicus***

860-496-8841 \$25-40

7:00p ‘Tis the time to make merry! Churches and chapels across Northwest Connecticut will once more ring with the music of the season, as this tradition continues to draw packed houses. Old and new arrangements of carols and seasonal songs will be craftily executed by the pure voices of Gaudeamus & Chorus Angelicus, along with traditional carols for the audience delight. Pick a location and hurry to get your ticket: sold-out concerts are part of the tradition

St. Michael’s Church, 25 JSouth Shtreet
Litchfield

12/21 ***Samba Band: Bossa Triba***

860-542-5075 Donations

8:00p Bossa Triba presents songs of Brazil in a variety of genres. Make reservations
Norfolk Library, 9 Greenwood Road East
Norfolk

12/21 ***The Sideguys ft. Ricky Peterson (Prince & Bonnie Raitt), Richard Patterson (Boz Scaggs), Gene Lake (David Sanborn), Nicky Moroch (David Bowie) and Alex Ligertwood (Santana)***

860-542-5531 \$

What happens when you put a group of some of the hottest live music warriors together on one stage?

Magic! Meet The Sideguys, a team of amazing R&B, Rock and Jazz musicians who have worked with the biggest names in the music industry, all with solo recordings themselves dating as far back as the mid 1980's and 1970's. The Sideguys use their talents to push the boundaries of traditional live performance. These are the guys who get called on to fill the ranks of the live bands for many of America's most respected Soul, Blues, Jazz and Rock performers. With The Sideguys project, these professional road veterans bring their individual musical skills together to enjoy the inspiration from one another, drawing on the fellow members' versatility and broad spectrum of musical influences. Check out the guys!

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12/22 ***Cinderella***

203.346.2002

\$38-58

7:30p The State Ballet Theatre of Russia from the city of Voronezh brings the world's most beloved fairytale and ballet, S. Prokofiev's Cinderella, to glorious new life! This company of 65 distinguished dancers has showcased the unparalleled art of Russian ballet to audiences across the world, and now they are bringing an evening of enchantment to Waterbury.

Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street

<http://www.palacetheatrect.org/>

Waterbury

12/22 ***Christmas Angelicus***

860-496-8841

\$25-40

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Trinity Episcopal Church, 220 Prospect Street

Torrington

12/22 ***The Machine (unplugged) Tribute to Pink Floyd***

860-542-5531

\$

8:00p America's premier Pink Floyd show, has forged a 20 year reputation of excellence, extending the legacy of Pink Floyd, while creating another legacy all their own. Over the years, The Machine has touched the hearts and souls of many, selling out large clubs and theatres across North and Central America, Europe and Asia. They have also appeared at renowned music festivals such as Bonnaroo, Riverbend, and Germany's Rock of Ages. Band travels with the incredible "Interstellar Light & Multimedia Show". Also available with numerous add-ons like quadraphonic surround sound, LASERS and even as SYMPHONIC FLOYD featuring the band performing with a customizable concert orchestra.

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12/23 ***Eran Troy Danner with Marty Q***

860-542-5531

\$ 19-29

7:30p Eran Troy Danner is Connecticut's foremost up and coming performer. As a singer, guitarist and songwriter, he has drawn rave reviews from fans and has built a loyal following throughout New England. Performing "LIVE" blues, swing and originals off his recently released CD, Eran immediately takes charge of the evening with his magnetic stage presence and exudes blazing passion on guitar. He delivers an astonishing highly intense night of music aimed at keeping the crowd entertained. He naturally draws audiences in, gets them out on the dance floor and keeps them there, sometimes performing all night without a single break.

Marty Q, saxophonist / singer / songwriter, born and raised in CT has been on the National music scene for only a few years and put out his first National Release titled "Table for 2" in Jan. 2010. Marty has written 3 songs that made it to commercial airplay along with many other cover songs from his CD's. Marty

has also won an Honorable Mention in John Lennon Songwriting Contest in 2004 (1 of 16 finalists for 8000 entries) for his song "Fingerprints on my Heart"

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- 12/26 ***Down Home Frolic: Multi-Cultural Holiday Music*** 860-485-9113 Free
2:00p Sing and dance-a-long with Fran Block and Dan Gardella as they play lively tunes on the fiddle and banjo. Clap your hands and stomp your feet to Kwanza holiday songs, Irish St. Stephen's Day ballads, and down home American favorites!
Harwinton Public Library, 80 Bentley Drive
Harwinton
- 12/27 ***Simone Felice*** 860-542-5531 \$ 25-35
8:00p Simone Felice is a celebrated songwriter, author, and poet. He was the former drummer, writer and vocalist of The Felice Brothers and after he left the band in 2009 he formed his own band The Duke & The King. He also performs solo. Simone Felice is strikingly simple in its arrangements but extravagant in its emotional impact. There is a luminous aura surrounding these compositions, something magical and otherworldly, even when the lyrics are startlingly topical or reference historical events, on tracks like "Courtney Love," "New York Times" and "Ballad of Sharon Tate." Felice has long been a story-teller, writing prose and poetry as well as songs, and he has a truly remarkable story of his own to tell.
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Norfolk
<http://www.infinityhall.com>
- 12/28 ***The Spirit of Johnny Cash*** 860-542-5531 \$ 30-45
8:00p Harold Ford featuring Laura Lucy as June Carter & the Cash Band. If you call yourself a fan of Country Music, you can't afford to miss this show. No doubt, Johnny Cash is the most iconic Country Artist of all time and with Nashville's country music press hailing this show as a must see/hear to believe, we believe you'll be talking about this one long after you stand and applaud for an encore. Johnny Cash's music is presented in an informal ensemble of songs, spanning his entire career, creating a concert very similar to what Johnny would have produced and performed. True to Johnny's style of showcasing guest artists and sharing the stage, you will hear The Highwaymen and Carter family songs as well as Statler brother harmonies recreated.
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Norfolk
<http://www.infinityhall.com>
- 12/28 ***Full Moon Drum Circle*** 860-294-1156 \$ 5 suggested
8-9p Come join in a drum circle honoring the full moon each month: Respecting this centuries old ritual. No drumming experience needed and if you don't have a drum, bring a rattle or your voice.
The Phoenix Rising Center, 135 South Main Street; 1st floor of Seth Thomas Clock Tower
Thomaston
[Click to Visit](#) [more details»](#)
- 12/29 ***Dead On Live*** 860-542-5531 \$ 25-40
8:00p Don't miss this truly unique, note-for-note presentation by Dead On as they pay tribute to this wonderful era in the Grateful Dead's diverse and beloved history by performing Workingman's Dead and American Beauty in their entirety! In just 9 months of 1970, the Grateful Dead recorded and released their 4th and 5th studio albums, Workingman's Dead and American Beauty. Featuring 18 songs like "Uncle John's Band," "Casey Jones" "Box of Rain," "Friend of the Devil," "Sugar Magnolia," "Ripple," "Brokedown Palace," and "Truckin'," they fused rock, blues, bluegrass, folk and especially country music, changing the direction of the band, and popular music overall away from psychedelia toward a traditional acoustic sound.

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12/30 ***Holiday Choral Benefit Concert featuring*** 860-542-5531 \$ 20-25
7:00p ***the Gilbert School, Northwestern Regional 7 and Litchfield High School choruses***

Infinity Hall is pleased to present a festive evening of holiday music from two of the best local High School Choral groups, the Gilbert School and the Northwest Regional 7. This will be a special night, with each group performing their own repertoire, followed by a combined grand finale.

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12/31 ***NYE Party with Jeff Pitchell & Texas Flood*** 860-693-9762 \$41

9:00p Jeff Pitchell is an internationally acclaimed dynamic singer, songwriter, guitarist, and actor. Jeff achieved national recognition when his last CD, Heavy Hitter (Pyramid Records/EMI) reached #7 on the Billboard Charts, selling more CDs than Delbert McClinton, Robert Cray, Etta James, Johnny Lee Hooker & Muddy Waters. Jeff has recorded with such greats as Rick Derringer, Dave Mason, James Cotton and Clarence Clemons. Jeff received international recognition when he toured Europe and then was asked to join the Commitments as a special guest. This Special NYE Evening @ Bridge Street Live will include with your ticket: Passed hors d'oeuvres, champagne toast, incredible live music with Jeff Pitchell & Texas Flood, and more special guests and entertainment tba

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Collinsville

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12/31 ***NEW YEAR'S EVE*** 860-542-5531 \$ 95-195
9:00p ***with the Marshall Tucker Band w/special guest Jeff Pevar***

For decades, The Marshall Tucker Band have wowed critics and influenced major country acts. With hit singles like "Heard It In a Love Song," "Fire On The Mountain," "Can't You See," and "Take The Highway," The Marshall Tucker Band earned seven gold and three platinum albums while they were on the Capricorn Records label.

Jeff Pevar is a guitarist, composer, producer, performer and multi-instrumentalist who has brought his unique style on stage and/or in the studio to such world renowned artists as Crosby, Stills & Nash, Ray Charles, James Taylor, and Jimmy Webb. Jeff is a sought after session musician who is currently mixing a debut record recorded in Oregon Caves called "From The Core" and recently completed his first independant movie score and soundtrack, called Walk-In.

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